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SUBJ: IAEA STAFFING: NEW "D" POST IN DEPARTMENT OF SAFEGUARDS AND INSPECTION

1. IF IT PERCEIVES NO OBJECTIONS, MISSION IS REQUESTED TO INFORM DG EKLUND THAT US STRONGLY SUPPORTS THE APPOINT-MENT OF SVEIN THORSTENSEN (NORWAY) TO FILL THE NEW "D" POST (VN 45/76) IN DEPARTMENT OF SAFEGUARDS AND INSPECTION. OUR POSITION IS BASED UPON THORSTENSEN'S DEMONSTRATED COMPETENCE HIS EXCEPTIONAL AND CURRENT KNOWLEDGE OF SAFEGUARDS, AND THE BENEFITS TO MORALE OF ENTIRE DEPARTMENT WHICH MAY REASONABLY BE EXPECTED TO ACCRUE FROM APPOINTMENT TO THIS POSITION FROM CONFIDENTIAL

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WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT.

2. FYI. THERE IS ALSO SOME POSITIVE SENTIMENT FOR SKJOELDEBRAND'S APPOINTMENT TO THIS POSITION WITHIN THE USG. WE DO NOT, HOWEVER, WISH TO MENTION THIS TO DG AT THIS TIME AS A TACTICAL MATTER. IF, AFTER DISCUSSIONS WITH DG, MISSION BELIEVES APPOINTMENT OF THORSTENSEN DOES NOT APPEAR

LIKELY, DEPARTMENT WILL RECONSIDER POSITION AND ISSUE FURTHER INSTRUCTIONS. END FYI.

3. MISSION SHOULD ALSO INFORM DG THAT WE WOULD WISH TO RULE OUT AT THIS TIME ANY CANDIDATES FROM STATES WITH

NEGOTIATIONS PENDING, CONCERNING NON-STANDARD SAFEGUARDS AGREEMENTS FOR EARLY IMPLEMENTATION, FOR THIS DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS POSITION (UN 45/76) TO AVOID THE POSSIBILITY OF HAVING A NATIONAL FROM ONE OF THOSE COUNTRIES IN CHARGE OF IMPLEMENTING AGENCY SAFEGUARDS IN EURATOM AND/OR JAPAN.

- 4. SHOULD DG BE CONCERNED ABOUT PRESSURE TO APPOINT A JAPANESE NATIONAL TO THIS POSITION, MISSION MIGHT POINT OUT THAT THE POSITIONS OF DIRECTOR OF DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENT AND DIRECTOR OF SITU WOULD NOT INVOLVE THE PROBLEMS ASSOCIATED WITH EITHER DIRECTOR OF OPERATIONS POSITION, SO THESE WOULD BE AVAILABLE FOR COMPETITION WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE.
- 5. MISSION IS REQUESTED TO REPORT DG EKLUND'S RESPONSE TO US VIEWS PRESENTED ABOVE.
- 6. FOR TOKYO: THIS CABLE IS BEING SENT TO TOKYO FOR POST INFORMATION ONLY AND NOT FOR DISCUSSION WITH JAPANESE AUTHORITIES.
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